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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This society shall be designated the "AMERICAN PEACE SOCIETY."

ART. II. This society, being founded on the principle that all war is contrary to the spirit of the gospel, shall have for its object to illustrate the inconsistency of war with Christianity, to show its baleful influence on all the great interests of mankind, and to devise means for insuring universal and permanent peace.

ART. III. Persons of every Christian denomination, desirous of promoting peace on earth, and good-will towards men, may become members of this society.

ART. IV. Every annual subscriber of two dollars, and every donor of five dollars, shall be a member of this society.

ART. V. The payment of twenty dollars at one time, shall constitute any person a Life-member, and fifty dollars, a Life-director.

ART. VI. The chairman of each corresponding committee, the officers and delegates of every auxiliary contributing to the funds of this society, and every minister of the gospel who preaches once a year on the subject of peace, and takes up a collection in behalf of the cause, shall be entitled to the privileges of regular members.

ART. VII. All contributors shall be entitled within the year to one half the amount of their contributions in the publications of the society.

ART. VIII. The officers of this society shall be a President, Vice Presidents, Directors, Secretaries, Treasurer, and an Executive Committee of not less than five, with power to fill their own vacancies, and transact the general business of the society. The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than twenty, who shall have power to supply vacancies in any office of the society, and direct all its operations till successors are chosen. The Vice Presidents shall be ex officio Directors, and the President, Secretaries, and Treasurer ex officio members of the Executive Committee.

ART. IX. The society shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as the Board of Directors may appoint, to receive their own and the Treasurer's report, to choose officers, and transact such other business as may come before them.

ART. X. The object of this society shall never be changed; but the constitution may in other respects be altered, on recommendation of the Executive Committee, or of any ten members of the society, by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, at any regular meeting.

Resolves explanatory of the second article.

1. That we consider said article as designed to assert, that all national wars are inconsistent with Christianity, including those supposed or alleged to be defensive.

2. That the article has no reference to the right of private or individual self-defence, to a denial of which the society is not committed.

3. That the article does not require a pledge, expressed or implied, on any of the points in dispute among the friends of peace, but is merely declarative of its general object and course.

4. That we invite the co-operation of all persons who seriously desire the extinction of war, whether they agree with the principle of the article as thus explained, or not.

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 *Patrons of the Advocate*, now taking it, are earnestly desired to continue to do so, not only because it will, if rightly used, benefit themselves, and their families, but mainly because it is the easiest and best way of promoting the cause. We must have, especially at the present crisis created by the death of Mr. Ladd, who sometimes gave two thousand dollars in a year, both money and personal co-

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operation ; and these are given in some measure by every one who takes the Advocate. Every friend of peace, not in absolutely distressed circumstances, *can* take it, if he *will* ; and what can we think of that man's friendship for the cause, who is able, but unwilling to do so little as this ? We must entreat our friends, if they *are* friends of the cause, to do *something for it*. Be so good as to read carefully the last page of the cover on this point.

FOLLY OF WAR.—Two nations, or most likely two governments, have a dispute ; they reason the point backwards and forwards ; they cannot determine it ; perhaps they do not wish to determine ; so like two carmen in the street, they fight it out ; first, however, dressing themselves up to look fine, and pluming themselves on their absurdity ; just as if the two carmen were to go and put on their Sunday clothes, and stick a feather in their hat besides, in order to be as dignified and fantastic as possible. They then "go at it," and cover themselves with mud, blood, and glory. Can any thing be more ridiculous ?—Leigh Hunt.

CARNAGE IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.—Whilst Colonel Burgoyne commanded at Cork, he saw a corpulent soldier among the spectators on parade, whom he addressed—"Who are you, sir?" He replied, "I'm the skeleton of the 5th regiment of foot, who have just marched over from America." The fact was so, for such was the carnage of that disastrous war, that only this fat soldier, Charles Webb, returned to Europe out of an entire regiment that went to America !

Receipts to May 25.

<i>East Randolph</i> ,	\$21 25	<i>Nantucket</i> , Barker Burrill,.....	2 00
<i>Fair Haven</i> ,	47 00	Geo. Cobb,.....	2 00
<i>New Bedford</i> , Wm. Rotche, Jr.,	25 00	Isaac Austin,.....	2 00
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A lady,.....	25 00	William Hadwen,.....	3 00
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Andrew Robeson,.....	20 00	Others,.....	19 00
James Arnold,.....	20 00	<i>Abington</i> , Josiah Shaw,.....	2 00
Abraham Shearman,.....	7 00	Joseph Cleverly,.....	2 00
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Geo. Howland, Jr.,.....	5 00	Edward Cobb,.....	3 00
Joseph Ricketson,.....	5 00	Others,.....	25 75
Others,.....	32 50	<i>East Bridgewater</i> , Isaac Alden,.....	4 00
<i>Woburn</i> , in part,.....	11 00	Joseph Shaw,.....	2 00
<i>Medford</i> , Jonathan Stetson,.....	5 00	Joseph Kingman,.....	2 00
N. H. Bishop,.....	5 00	Others,.....	35 50
Samuel Train,.....	5 00	<i>Easton</i> , Lincoln Drake,.....	25 00
Paul Curtis,.....	2 00	Oliver Ames,.....	5 00
Galen James,.....	2 00	G. W. Hayward,.....	2 00
Others,.....	7 00	Others,.....	22 00
<i>Milford</i> ,.....	14 50	<i>Wrentham</i> , Howard Mann,.....	5 00
<i>Holliston</i> , Elihu Cutter,.....	2 00	M. Everett,.....	2 00
Dr. T. Fiske,.....	2 00	Others,.....	26 50
Others,.....	19 25	<i>Nashua, N. H.</i> ,.....	9 00
<i>Attleborough</i> , Rev. J. Crane,	3 00	<i>Burlington, Vt.</i> , James Dean,.....	5 00
Elias Fuller,.....	3 00	<i>Limerick, Me.</i> , Rev. C. Freeman's	
Others,.....	13 00	Congregation,.....	5 00
<i>Nantucket</i> , Henry Coffin,.....	10 00	<i>Middleboro'</i> ,.....	75
David Joy,.....	5 00	<i>Quincy, Ill.</i> , William Fifthern,.....	1 00
Charles Mitchell,.....	5 00		
Seth Mitchell,.....	2 00		
Gorham Coffin,.....	2 00	Total,	\$594 00